

# The Rutherford Star.

"BE SURE YOU ARE RIGHT AND THEN GO AHEAD." — DAVEY CROCKETT.

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## Miscellaneous Cards.

**BLACKSMITHING.** FRANK BARTON  
would inform his old friends and customers, that he is going to move, and will be glad to have them call at his shop on the bank, south of the Jail, where he is prepared to do all kinds of work, in his line, in a superior and workmanlike manner.  
Country produce taken in exchange for work. 1911

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This House, formerly known as the St. Charles, has been thoroughly renovated, enlarged, and furnished throughout with entirely new furniture, and is now open for the accommodation of the traveling public. Those desiring comfortable and quiet quarters at reasonable rates, are respectfully invited to give the EXCHANGE, convenient to street cars and all the City Depots, a trial.  
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In opening this old and favorably known House, the Proprietor would respectfully solicit a share of public patronage, by using every endeavor to make his guests comfortable.

His table will be supplied with the best market affords, and with attentive servants. He intends to try and satisfy the most fastidious. Give him a call. 3711

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This new and well furnished House is now open for the reception of guests, and persons visiting Marion will find it to their interest to give it a call. 18-1-11

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Omni bus free of charge. Prices made to suit the times.  
Good stables connected with the House for the accommodation of those traveling by private conveyance. 18-1-11

## RAILROAD DIRECTORY.

**WILMINGTON, CHARLOTTE AND RUTHERFORD RAILROAD.**

Passenger Trains over this Road run as follows:

Leaves Charlotte, Tuesday's, Thursday's and Saturday's, 8:30 a. m.  
Arrive at Cherryville, same day's 12 m.  
Leave Cherryville, same day's at 1 p. m.  
Arrive at Charlotte, same day's 5:30 p. m.

**NORTH CAROLINA RAILROAD.**

Passenger Trains over this Road arrive at, and leave Charlotte, as follows:

Leave, going east, at 8:00 p. m.  
Arrive, coming west, at 7:30 a. m.  
Leave, going east, at 5:35 a. m.  
Arrive, coming west, at 7:55 p. m.

**WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA RAILROAD.**

Passenger Trains on this Road run as follows:

Leave Salisbury, at 5:00 a. m.  
Arrive at Marion, 12:41 p. m.  
Arrive at Old Fort, 1:32 p. m.  
Leave Old Fort, 7:15 a. m.  
Leave Marion, at 8:04 a. m.  
Arrive at Salisbury, at 3:32 p. m.

**CHARLOTTE, COLUMBIA AND AUGUSTA RAILROAD.**

Passenger Trains over this Road arrive at, and leave Charlotte, as follows:

Arrive at Charlotte, 7:30 p. m.  
Leave Charlotte at 8:50 a. m.  
Arrive at Charlotte, 5:30 a. m.  
Leave Charlotte at 8:10 p. m.

## Remarks of His Honor, Judge Brooks.

In Response to the Appeal for Mercy. Made by his Counsel, Hon. T. C. Fuller, in behalf of R. A. Shotwell.

We regard it as proper that we should now say that the facts as developed in the trial of this case shows most clearly that there is in fact, a condition of things existing in this district which we know is earnestly regretted by every good citizen to whatever political party he may belong. We express with confidence the opinion, that no man is a good man, and no citizen a good citizen who approves of atrocities such as have been shown to have been perpetrated by these prisoners. We say more, that no one is either a good man or a good citizen of this government who does not in his heart condemn such acts (by whomsoever perpetrated) as inhuman, fiendish and treasonable in their character. We know that good men and citizens do so condemn such acts, and we would have but little hope for our republic if we did not so believe.

That bad men should now be found to violate the law and even conspire together to violate the law, not only by attacking the most sacred rights of their fellow-men, but their lives also; not only so, but even more, that men should be now found to attack in this way, not only those around them, and not content with that, should attack posterity with treasonable acts, with a view to destroy a government which has never punished but protected them is not a matter of so much surprise, for in looking into history we find that at all times, there have been those who would commit such crimes. But the manner in which this association, spoken of by the witnesses, was bound together, the character of the obligation signed and taken by its members, as construed by themselves, its manner of proceeding to effect the object of the association. That this association should have existed so long and have drawn into its folds so many men in any part of our State, is, we say, without hesitation, the most damning blot upon the character of our State that history records.

This association has not, so far as the Court can discover from the evidence, the merit or excuse that violent committees (though entirely self-constituted) ordinarily have. The purpose, as stated by a majority of the witnesses, was not to punish crime, or any acts forbidden by the law, but in the language of the witnesses who were members of the organization, to "put down the radical party and raise up the democratic or conservative party." Now it is very clear that it is not unlawful to advance the interest and increase the strength and influence of any party by the use of any lawful means. And it may be even praiseworthy in any citizen that he is active in the use of lawful means to advance such principles relating to our government as he believes best calculated to promote the happiness of our people. But when men band themselves together—even to the number of fifty in a county—instead of five hundred as is shown in this case in Rutherford, who bind themselves together by an oath or promise (unlawful though it be) to obey all orders, though such orders be to commit crime. The lives, the liberty, the property of the best citizens in such a community can not be secure—they are not secure! If our government has not the power to protect its law-abiding citizens in their lives, their liberty and their property—which are declared to be the leading objects—the first purposes of our constitution and our laws, we ask in God's name of what value is our constitution and our laws?

I feel thankful to-day that I have never seen one of those who have believed that our government was such "a rope of sand" as to be without the power to protect itself from such disintegration, as it will always be liable while bad men lead. If it was otherwise, our Constitution and our laws would be mere illusions, and only calculated to disappoint the hopes and expectations of the good men who framed them.

We do not entertain a doubt as to the validity of the 14th and 15th amendments of the Constitution. And these being valid, then as to the act of July 31st, 1870, and 20th April, 1871, they are also valid. As was declared by my associate in his charge to the Grand Jury, these laws oppress no one, but are only so framed as to secure those from being oppressed whom the more powerful and lawless (we may add, the evil disposed) may attempt to oppress.

There is another striking feature in this organization, according to the evidence in this case, which we can not refrain from mentioning here. This we regard as of terrible significance, and lends to the organization infinitely more power for harm than would otherwise be attendant upon it. This is the fact that all the members of this band are of one of the great political parties of the country, and in the main, their arbitrary and cruel acts are directed against those who act and sympathize with the other of these political parties.

For this reason then, it is clear to my mind that the outrages committed by these Klans have not received the prompt and unqualified condemnation of thousands of intelligent and influential citizens of our State, that they would have received if they had been committed under any other possible circumstances. Gentlemen of education and character, good citizens, have not approved (as we are glad to believe,) but some such have not condemned as the interests of society and good government demands, they should have condemned such crime and violation of all the principles of humanity.

A peculiar feature, clearly developed by the evidence in this case, is the cool and deliberate manner in which each individual member of the society, goes to work to execute, even in the most cruel and inhuman way, the orders of the chiefs or committees of the Dens or Klans, by torturing and even taking the life of exercising a privilege, guaranteed to him by the Constitution and the laws of our common country—for the doing of that which they themselves are as fully allowed to do. That is to vote for and advocate the election to office, of any they may prefer, and for reasons satisfactory to themselves.

These rights the 15th amendment to the Constitution of the United States, intended to confer, and does confer upon every citizen otherwise qualified to vote. And the acts under which these prisoners have been convicted, were designed and passed for the punishment of those who perpetrate such fiendish acts as were clearly perpetrated by these prisoners, with a view to defeat the objects of the amendment.

The manner in which the attack (designated as they have it, by the title of raid) on Justice in some respects, would quite equal the performance of some of the earlier English Knights of the road. But in most respects it was cowardly, base and devilish. And especially does it seem to have been so on the part of the elder Shotwell, who seemed to be anxious to prepare himself to establish his innocence, when in fact he was perhaps the most prominent and active of all the conspirators.

had whispered in his ear, the language of the poet,  
"I feel that mercy I to others show,  
I feel that mercy I to others show."

It may be that he would not so easily have entered into the conspiracy for taking the life of a fellow-being for such an offence. Had he been so admonished and still conspired to commit the deed, then he was indeed as one lost. No man has attempted to impute anything against Justice except that he was a radical and a man of influence.

If this is not a case in which it becomes the duty of the court to punish in such way as to answer the purposes of the law, then we will confess that no case will or can arise, in which it will be the duty of the Court to punish in an exemplary way.

Exceptions were taken by the counsel for the defendants to the discharge of the jurors who were in attendance upon this Court for three weeks in the month of June. For this the Marshal was directly censured and censured.

Those who have complained of this should know that the Marshal did not discharge the jury. If they are under any misrepresentation as to that, I will inform them that I discharged the jurors for the last session of the Court, as I remember it, with the approval of the Circuit Judge. And in regard to the venire for this term, that was ordered by the Circuit Judge with my approbation. As to the manner in which the jurors were summoned, they were summoned in the same manner and under like instructions as were those for the June session, and with the exception of the former rule, restricting the Marshal to the citizens of certain counties, were summoned in the same way in which they have been since June term 1867, of this Court.

The prisoners complain that the jurors were not Democrats. They would probably have complained of any who were not conspirators like themselves.

We believe that the jurors are honest men and not hostile in their feelings to the government or the unfortunate parties accused, and if really any doubt as to the latter ever existed with the counsel it should be dispelled after the verdict rendered in the case by which the jury have acquitted three of the parties, against all of whom there was evidence of such a character as renders it questionable whether they should not have found them guilty also. We will venture the opinion that if the gentlemen who took these exceptions had themselves been jurors and not counsel, not more of the parties accused would have escaped than have by the verdict of the jury.

For myself I will add that I will not admit that there is a man in North Carolina who cherishes a better feeling for the lawyers of this Court and of the State than that entertained and cherished by me. Few, if any I am sure, have ever enjoyed their intercourse with them more than I, or been more proud of them as brethren. But I state now and here, that I will not purchase or retain the respect of any man, at the high price of a dereliction of any official duty, as I understand that duty. And in this I believe I express the feeling of my brother, the Circuit Judge.

John Mahr, a laborer, jumped into the river at Madison street bridge, Chicago, on Sunday afternoon, while suffering from an attack of mania a pota. He was rescued by Captain Clark, of the schooner Percy, the unfortunate man was taken to the Armory, and there again attempted to take his life by butting his head against the iron doors of his cell. He was finally tied and taken to the county hospital.

The Sub-Treasury at Chicago lost two millions by the fire, which half a million is gold.

## Wilmington, Charlotte, and Rutherford Railroad.

We clip the following article from the Wilmington Star, and must say that we are glad to see that there is a probability of the completion of our road.

We are also pleased with Superintendent Fremont's report. He has set forth facts that we have long argued, and we do hope that his report will be read by those who can do something towards completing this great line of road, which, when completed, will no doubt be a paying road, and one that will open up the greatest resources of North Carolina.

As a matter of very great interest to our people, we make the following extract from the Report of Mr. Silas N. Martin, late President of the Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford Railroad, to be presented to the Stockholders meeting at Charlotte to-day, the Report of President Cronly not being yet printed:

It was expected that there would remain in the hands of the agent of your company in New York, Mr. John P. Pickrell, considerable balance, with which the pressing unfunded debt and the January interest might be met. Disappointment followed upon disappointment. For some time your Directors were doubtful of their ability to prevent the foreclosure of the first mortgage and consequent sale of your road and the franchise of the company. Before such an event should happen, however, they had determined to call together the Stockholders, and place in their hands the final disposition of the railroad and the assets of your company.

The prospect of an early completion of your whole road appears now secured. The terms are as good as under the circumstances could be expected. Great care has been taken to guard by all legal forms necessary, the interests of your company. Your securities are to be placed in the hands of such Trustees as will guarantee their legitimate appropriation. There now appears no great obstacle to the opening up of the great highway from the seaboard to the mountains. I can conceive of no higher reward for your Directors as recompense for the labors and responsibilities incident to their position, than the grand consummation of the work—the completion of the Wilmington, Charlotte and Rutherford Railroad.

The following from the Report of Superintendent Fremont will also be found highly interesting to the friends of the road:

THE FUTURE BUSINESS OF THE COMPANY.  
I do not propose to speculate upon the prospects of the Company when the road shall have been carried to Charlotte and the West; but I do desire to call the attention of your Board of Directors, as well as all others interested in this great railway line, to facts that should not be ignored nor lost sight of in estimating the future income of the Corporation. I mean the valuable connections that will be made at Charlotte, which will place that young, vigorous and live business community within (185) one hundred and eighty-five miles of the navigable waters of the seaboard, where all, or so much of the products of the West and South-west as they desire, may take cheap water transportation to the markets of the world.  
The several distances from Charlotte to tide-water by the lines of railway that will be in operation when this road reaches this city, are as follows:

From Char. to Richmond, 283 m.  
" " to Norfolk, 352 m.  
" " to Charleston, via Columbia, 247 m.  
" " via Wadesboro, 220 m.  
" " to Wilmington, 185 m.  
" " to Raleigh, via the Chatham R. R. (about) 160 miles.

The lines of the Chatham road are not yet located, but the distance will be shorter, it is understood, by some ten to twenty miles than by the N. C. R. R. line.

These are facts upon which we have a right to base our estimates for business and for that purpose they are here stated.

These distances show the preference that must be given to this road as a great transportation line from Charlotte; but we should not rest content with completing the line to Shelby and Rutherfordton. Your line must cross the mountains and connect your seaboard and interior cities with the business centres of the great West, Nashville, Louisville, Cincinnati, &c., making the city of Charlotte the great Eastern gate or outlet for Western produce to the ocean, as Atlanta is for the same region South. Our line again being the shortest from and through this point, the products, manufactures and trade of the East will seek a market in the West by it.

I will close this subject by quoting from my Report of 13th January last, the following sentences:

"When our road shall have reached Charlotte, we will intersect the system of railways, converging to that point from the North, South, West and South-west; the North Carolina Railway; the Charlotte, Columbia & Augusta Railway; the Atlantic, Tennessee and Ohio Railway to Statesville on the Western N. C. Railroad, by which we reach Asheville and West of the Blue Ridge as soon as the road crosses the mountains; and last, but not the least important is the 'Great Air Line' from Atlanta to Charlotte that will meet us here, and by which the line from Wilmington to Atlanta will be shorter than it is by the route via Augusta."

Who can estimate the large business that will come to the Road from the Charlotte connections? I have not gone into any estimate due to the new lines that will meet us there, but have simply calculated the results from the present business that flows into Charlotte from completed lines.

The subject of our Trans-continental connection is one that should not be lost sight of. Our Railway must, at no distant day, cross the mountains and connect with the valleys of the Mississippi and Ohio, and the Southern Pacific Railway lines. Ours is the shortest line from Memphis to the Atlantic, and will pass the Blue Ridge with grades of (60) sixty feet to the mile, and with less than one-eighth of a mile of tunneling, or with grades of (90) ninety feet to the mile and no tunneling.

It is understood that a grant of public lands by Congress for the joint benefit of the Railway crossing the mountains, and connecting with the Southern Pacific Railway, will be made at the present session. Should this be so, and this company receive its due proportion, the very early completion of this line to near Asheville and thence to the Tennessee and Kentucky system of Railways will be assured.

A line through the Cumberland Gap and Cranberry Iron Works, to or near Morganton, and thence by a connection that must soon be made between Lincoln and Hickory Station, the distance from Cincinnati to Wilmington will be about 525 miles, over a comparatively cheap line.

The subject of wharves at your Eastern terminus, permanent shops, and some other matters, I leave for a future report.







# THE STAR.

RUTHERFORDTON N. C.

PUBLISHED EVERY SATURDAY.

MESSES. GRIFFIN & HOFFMAN, Newspaper Advertising Agents, No. 4 South street, Baltimore, Md., are duly authorized to contract for advertisements at our lowest rates. Advertisers in that City are requested to leave their favors with this house.

We are going courting again, have to be at Henderson Court next week.

WALLACE & SCOGGIN, have new Goods at the Post Office.

A drove of cattle passed through Town this week going south.

Col. Hart's, Cavalry Company, are kept busy helping to bring in Ku Klux.

GREAT EXCITEMENT! At the Post Office.

We have had a good deal of rain this week, the roads and streets are getting muddy.

Eggs are scarce, we have not been able to find any lately in any of our stores, they are in demand, and if they were brought in would sell well.

WALLACE & SCOGGIN have the cheapest and best goods in town. Call on them before you buy elsewhere.

As a dressing, NATURE'S HAIR RESTORATIVE goes ahead of any thing in the market. See advertisement. 2w

W. B. McEntire, of Green Hill Township, and J. C. Clendenin, of Rutherfordton Township, have resigned as Justices of the Peace.

We thank our friends who come in and pay us for the Star. We have added a number of new names on our list lately. Let them come. "Dat ish good."

The arrest of Ku Klux, continues in this and Cleveland county. The Democratic Hotel in this city contain (more or less) Ku Klux. Some of them are charged with being on the raid on our office, in June last.

To-day the republicans of Polk county, hold a public meeting at Columbus. Next Monday a republican meeting is called for this county.

At the sale of B. F. Logan, in this county, last Monday, corn sold for from 41 to 42½ cents per bushel, from the heap cash. Fat hogs sold at 5 cents per lb. gross.

We learn that quite a number of South Carolinians, are emigrating from that State. Sixteen passed through Whiteside settlement a few days since, they were all about the right age for Ku Klux.

We have been promised a mess of second crop Irish Potatoes, some nice Apples, and a large O'Possum. Well, we are waiting for them, they will be good when they come.

"Don't want the 'Star,'" any longer. Well, since we have reduced our subscription price to \$1.50 per year, we think the paper is long enough, wide enough, and has enough good reading in it for the price, so we agree with you. "We don't want it any longer."

FOR HOUSE CLEANING, washing dishes, floors, oil cloths, tables, cleaning windows, paint, knives and polishing tin, brass and all metals, use Enoch Morgan's Sons' Sapolio. It is cheaper and better than soap. Get it from your grocer, or at 211 Washington street, N. Y. 2-4w.

We were behind time getting out our paper last week, and will be again this week, but will try to be up to time next week; and in the future. We intended to do our best for our patrons, and hope to be excused for short comings just now, as we local has much outside business to attend to, and yet other editor is also looking up property to pay fines, and costs from those sent to Albany, N. Y., and those left at Hotel de Lee, in Raleigh.

Specialties are the order of the day, and good men who push good specialties are always successful. This is eminently applicable to the advertising agency of Messrs. Griffin & Hoffman, the growth and expansion of which has been almost without a parallel in the history of Baltimore trade and commerce. Baltimore American.

Last Monday evening Western Star, Lodge, No. 91, A. F. M., met in regular communication, and elected the following officers, for the ensuing year, to-wit:

J. L. Rucker, W. M. M. H. Justice, S. W. L. P. Erwin, J. W. T. B. Justice, Treasurer, Jas. A. Hague, Secretary, W. D. Justice, S. D. J. B. Carpenter, J. D., and John Cook, Tyler. It is requested that those elected, appear promptly at next meeting for installation.

The Sheriff of Cleveland county having absconded on account of his Ku Klux record, we learn that His Honor, Judge Logan, has appointed Sheriff Walker, of this county, to execute certain process issued against some of Cleveland's citizens.

WHAT IS THE MATTER?—The last number of the Shelby Banner had nothing to say about the puke court, the Scoggins, or about "the best men of the county being arrested," or leaving the country to prevent being sent to the Penitentiary upon the evidence of "niggers" and "poor white trash who have puked."

## STATE NEWS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina meets in Raleigh on the third Monday in November.

Gov. Caldwell has pardoned Graham Sharpe, sentenced to the penitentiary, from Perquimans county, for three years for larceny. Roanoke News.

"Old Mrs. Smith" died recently in Surry county, at the advanced age of 112 years. She leaves a son, 87 years old, hale and hearty, to mourn her loss. Salem Press.

Says the Sentinel, S. R. Hunt, Esq., who lives between Kittrell's and Henderson, made \$1540 on five acres of land. Crop, grapes and strawberries.

Bishop Payne expects to president at the approaching session of the North Carolina Annual Conference of the Methodist E. Church, South, which convenes in Charlotte on the 29th of next month.

Mr. R. S. Ledbetter having resigned his position as Senator from the 28th District, composed of the counties of Richmond and Moore, the Governor has ordered a special election to fill the vacancy to be held November 16th.

The Wilmington Daily Journal, enters upon its twenty first annual volume. It is a very good Democratic paper, rather too much on the Sentinel style. Terms, \$8 per year, the Weekly Journal is published at \$2 per year.

GOAT AND HOG.—The Carolinian says:

"Quite a singular mixture of the hog and something—the owner says a goat—have been shipped to the Fair from Goldsboro'. There are six pigs, all deformed alike, and their tails growing out on their backs. It is said the father of them is a goat."

CHERRYVILLE.—A number of stores have been put up at the head of the road within the last year. We have not seen for months, outside of Charlotte, so many wagons and such a business scene. The whole was enlivened by the dashing up at a gallop of a squad of United States cavalry, accompanied by two of the Scoggins gang. Southern Home.

ACQUITTED.—On Friday last, says the Asheville Pioneer of the 12th inst., in the superior court of McDowell county, held at Marion, W. H. Deaver, of this place, was arrested for killing J. A. Thompson, on the 15th of last July. After hearing the testimony, the solicitor decided to prosecute the defendant for man slaughter, Messrs. Merrimon, Bowman Flemming appearing for the defendant, and Messrs. Candler and Erwin for the prosecution. After a careful hearing the judge charged the jury, who retired, and after some time returned a verdict of not guilty.

Wilmington came near having a serious fire on Monday evening, by the explosion of a kerosene lamp which had been left burning in a room. Vindicator.

## The State Fair.

From what we have seen in our Raleigh exchanges, we believe the Fair last week was well attended, and was considered a success; but from the list of marshalls, all Conservative, and from a communication and also an editorial in the Sentinel, we have come to the conclusion that it, like many other good things, is run and controlled too much by one party. We believe that Fairs, churches, and many other institutions we might name ought to discountenance party, and combine all parties, which we think might be more effectually done by placing men of both parties on lists of marshalls, judges, delegates, &c. &c. Because men differ in politics is no reason that one or the other is a scoundrel. Our opinion is, that there are good men in both parties, and plenty of bad ones; and if the good men of both would go to work to cultivate friendly relations, the bad men would get better and society would be benefited. We are about as independent as most people, but still we would be glad to see things different from what they are, and are willing to do, as we would be done by.

## To the People of N. Carolina.

Whereas, a most destructive and calamitous fire has recently occurred in the City of Chicago, by which it has been laid in ashes and over one hundred thousand inhabitants have been deprived of homes and reduced to poverty and want; and whereas, it is the christian duty of the benevolent and charitable, as I know it will be the pleasure of all such in North Carolina, to sympathize with and extend aid and succor to the unfortunate victims of this terrible calamity. Now therefore, with full confidence in the earnest co-operation of the good people of North Carolina, I, Tod R. Caldwell, Governor of the State do appeal to all who can be moved by generous impulses and within whose bosoms, beat hearts that feel sympathy for suffering humanity, to adopt such measures without delay, as will afford material relief in this their time of need, to our fellow countrymen, who have been so sorely afflicted. Done at the City of Raleigh this 13th October, 1871.

TOD R. CALDWELL,  
GOVERNOR.

WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY,  
St. Louis, Mo., July 4, 1871.

I have been in constant use of Webster's Dictionary since its first publication in 1828, and every day leads me to prize it more highly. The first edition contained some blemishes, (long since removed,) but I will remember the delight with which the scholars of that day received it. From that time to this it has been steadily improving. Its few errors have been corrected and its many excellencies enlarged. In its present shape it is more than a Dictionary. It is a world of information upon every subject presented in the briefest most accurate form. Not only the meaning of words and their derivation, but the philosophy of the English language can be learned from its study. It is, in my opinion, the most perfect Dictionary ever published, of a living language, and is not likely to be excelled. Circumstances have led me to re-examine it with great care, in the new edition just published, with special view to the accuracy and fullness of its definitions, and the result is to confirm the opinion, as to its merits, which forty years of careful use had enabled me to form, and which is now imperfectly expressed. Whatever value may be attached to other dictionaries, no school and no "scholar" can afford to do without "Webster." In my judgment, Webster alone is enough. The future progress of learning and polite literature in the United States will be marked, and to a considerable extent caused, by the continually increasing circulation of Webster's great Dictionary.

W. G. ELIOT,  
Pres. of Washington University.

FOUND DEAD.—On Saturday last a man in the employ of Sempliner & Co., liquor dealers on Ontario street, was found dead in a barn near the store. A coroner's inquest elicited that whiskey caused his death. Cleveland Herald.

"THE NATIONAL JOURNAL."—This is the title of an eight page paper, 35x53, four columns to a page, devoted to first class Literature, Temperance, and the Fireside. The subscription price is only one dollar per year in advance, postage to any part of the United States five cents per quarter in advance. It is the cheapest paper published, and is worth double the subscription asked. The publishers announce additional attractions next year, and the addition of illustrations without any increase of price. Agents can make a good thing getting subscribers for it. Published by J. D. Robinson & Co. 207 Washington street, New York. Specimen copies free.

M. A. HARVEY.—A highly esteemed citizen of this town, died at his residence, on Wednesday morning, the 11th inst. He had been suffering for several months previous to his death, under the most painful afflictions. The deceased was an honest and upright man, and enjoyed the confidence and respect of all who knew him. In the death of Mr. Harvey, Spartanburg has lost one of its best citizens. Spartan.

WHICH DO YOU PREFER?—"If you prefer the keg of lager or the bottle of wine to me," said Mary, "just take them to the Magistrate, and get married to them."

"What do you mean?" said John.

"Just what say. I can't want a young man to come here evenings chewing cloves to cover his breath, and hide his habits of drinking. If you like lager more than you love me, just marry it at once, and don't divide your affections between woman and wine—or a woman and lager; love and liquor have no affinity."

"Why, Mary, how you talk!" exclaimed John.

"Yes, I mean what I say; unless you sign the pledge and keep it, you had better not call here again."

John did sign the pledge, and he kept it, and he married Mary.

Dr. James Young appeared in Court in Salt Lake on Monday and was held to bail in five thousand dollars on a charge of having more than one lawful wife. It is thought that there will be trouble if he is convicted. The Mormons, however, have so uniformly threatened trouble as a last resort, with no intent of carrying out the threat, that we may safely conclude they know too much to resort to the hopeless arbitrament of war or riot.

## Meeting of the Stockholders of the W. C. & R. R. R.

This body convened in the Court House at 10 o'clock yesterday, and was called to order by Mr. Cronly, President of the company, who moved that the meeting organize by calling Hon. R. Y. McAden of Mecklenburg to the Chair. On further motion Messrs. J. Y. Alderman of New Hanover and V. Q. Johnson of Lincoln were appointed secretaries.

On motion R. M. Oates of Charlotte, and the secretaries were appointed a committee to verify proxies, and the committee reporting a majority of the stock represented, the meeting was declared duly organized and ready for business. Report of the President was then read and adopted. Mr. Cameron of S. C. moved that a Committee be appointed to superintend the election of Directors, whereupon the Chair appointed Messrs. B. S. Guion and D. Schenck. Mr. Kerchner from Wilmington offered a resolution that the number of Directors be increased to eleven, adopted. Mr. Kidder offered resolutions to the effect that whereas a speedy extension through Rutherford and Asheville to the Tennessee line is of utmost importance, that the President and Directors be authorized and empowered to change the gauge of this Road whenever they deem it conducive to its interest, and if necessary make application to the General assembly to sanction the change.

That in order to insure such extension it is important that this company be empowered to issue First Mortgage seven percent gold bonds at the rate of \$16,000 per mile from Wilmington to the Tennessee line, said bonds payable in gold, principal and interest in New York and London at the rate of \$5, to the pound sterling, and to be secured by a First Mortgage of all the property, assets, and franchises of the Company. That said bonds shall be exchangeable at par for the present out standing First Mortgage Bonds, and to secure and accomplish such exchange, said bonds to the amount of two and a half million of dollars be deposited with Trustees, to be appointed by the Directors, to be exchanged for the outstanding bonds as fast as the bond holders shall consent. That the President and Directors be instructed to take all necessary steps to procure at the next ensuing session of the General assembly the passage of an act authorizing the issuing of First Mortgage bonds according to terms and provisions of said resolution. Mr. Cameron offered a resolution that the whole be submitted to the attorney of the company as to whether further Legislative aid was necessary. Mr. Martin introduced a resolution that the President Chief superintendent and asst. superintendent be and are hereby alone authorized to grant free passes, and that all resolutions heretofore adopted in conflict with this be repealed. Mr. Kerchner offered a resolution that the Directors be empowered to subscribe for stock in any steam ship company running from Wilmington they may think it for the interest of the Road. Mr. Martin a resolution creating the office of auditor. Mr. Kerchner a resolution fixing the salary of the President at \$2500. Mr. Cronly a resolution that the auditing committee for the ensuing year consist of Gen. Harris, J. P. Leak and C. Malloy.

Chairman appointed Messrs. Fremont, Kerchner and Martin to superintend publication of proceedings. Moved that the next meeting be held in Wilmington on the third Thursday in October 1872. Mr. Ashe offered a resolution as to the stock of Anson county.

The following Directors were elected: S. N. Martin, F. W. Kerchner, C. Kidder, M. Cronly, Wilmington. B. F. Little, T. S. Ashe, Anson co. H. M. Houston, Union co. R. M. Oates, J. E. Brown, Charlotte. W. H. Michael, Lincoln co. W. P. Love, Cleveland co. Mr. Martin offered a resolution of thanks to the President and Secretaries of the meeting, which was unanimously adopted and on motion the meeting adjourned. At a subsequent meeting of the Directors Hon. S. N. Martin was elected President, Col. S. L. Fremont Chief Engineer and Superintendent, V. Q. Johnson, Assistant Superintendent and S. L. Alderman, Secretary and Treasurer.

Charlotte Observer.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Land For Sale.

THE SALE HERETOFORE MADE OF the lands mentioned in the pleadings in the case of Amos Harrill, et al. vs. W. I. Green, et al., having been set aside by the clerk of the Superior Court for Rutherford county, and a re-sale ordered, I hereby give notice that I will expose to public sale, to the highest bidder, at the court house door in the town of Rutherfordton on Monday, the 11th day of December next, that valuable tract of land on the waters of Sandy Run, known as the Nanny Green homestead, containing about 350 acres. Terms of sale made known on day of sale. J. W. GREEN, Commissioner.

Any information concerning the lands, can be obtained by applying to Amos Harrill, or the undersigned, J. W. GREEN.

NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS against the estate of Jonathan Mooney dead, will take notice that I will proceed to make final settlement with the clerk of the Superior Court of Rutherford county on the 1st Monday in November, 1872, and present their claims within twelve months from this date, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. BENJ. BIGGERSTAFF, Adm'r of Jonathan Mooney, dec'd. Oct 28th, 1871. ns-no2-6w

## State of North Carolina.

Rutherford County.

SUPERIOR COURT—Full Term, 1871.

A. V. Biggerstaff, vs. Randolph Depriest, Amos Owens, and John C. Withrow. Original Attachment.

Randolph Depriest, Amos Owens and John C. Withrow, defendants above named; you and each of you are hereby notified that in a case for damages in favor of the above named plaintiff, against said defendants for the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars, a warrant of attachment has been levied on, on your interest in the following lands, to-wit: Two hundred acres of land, more or less, the homestead of Randolph Depriest, joining lands of Pleasant Fortune and others, levied on as the property of Randolph Depriest; two hundred acres of land, more or less, being the homestead of Amos Owens, on Cherry Mountain; also Amos Owens' interest in the Swoozy lands, lying on Quarter's Creek, levied on as the property of Amos Owens. Two hundred and twenty-six acres of land, more or less, joining the lands of James Withrow and others, levied on as the property of John C. Withrow.

You are hereby notified to appear at the next term of the Superior Court, to be held in the court house at Rutherfordton on the 4th Monday in March, 1872, and plead, answer or demur to Plaintiff's complaint, which is filed in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court, or judgment pro confesso will be taken as to you, and the lands condemned to be sold. Witness: J. B. Carpenter, county clerk of the Superior Court, at Rutherfordton, 28th October, 1871.

J. B. CARPENTER, C. C. S. C. Logan & Justice, Att'y for Plaintiff. ns-no2-6w

## State of North Carolina.

Rutherford County.

SUPERIOR COURT—In Vacation.

J. B. Carpenter & R. W. Logan, vs. Ambrose Mills, L. A. Nicks, Jr., Geo. W. Trout, Jr., Wm. Webster, Chas. C. Webster and others. Original Attachment.

William Webster, Charles C. Webster and George W. Trout, Jr., defendants above named; you are hereby notified that in a case for damages brought by the above named plaintiffs, and against the above named defendants and others, for the sum of fifty thousand dollars a warrant of attachment has been levied on one hundred and fifty-seven acres of land, the same being part of the James A. Webster old tract, joining the lands of James Kenady and others, the property of Wm. Webster.

One hundred and thirty-three acres of land being a part of the same tract as above, adjoining lands of James Kenady and others, the property of Charles C. Webster. George W. Trout, Jr., interest in six hundred acres of land, more or less, the tract of land on which George Trout now lives. Said attachment is made returnable to the Superior Court of Rutherford County, at the court house in Rutherfordton, on the 4th Monday in March next, when you are notified to appear, plead, answer or demur to plaintiff's complaint, and to the clerk of the clerk of the Superior Court for said county, or judgment pro confesso as to them, and the lands condemned and ordered to be sold.

Witness: J. B. Carpenter, clerk of the Superior Court for Rutherford county, at office in Rutherfordton 28th October, 1871. J. B. CARPENTER, C. C. S. C. per J. W. GREEN, D. Clerk. M. Erwin, and Logan & Justice, Att'y for Plaintiffs. ns-no2-6w

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James M. Justice, Plaintiff, vs. L. A. Mills, Jr., G. W. Trout, Jr., Wm. Webster, Charles C. Webster and others. Original Attachment.

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